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Public Service Announcement for Immediate Release

2002 Clean City Awards

The following awards were presented at the Hampton Clean City Commission's annual Volunteer Recognition Reception on October 24, 2002, held at Phoebus High School. Award winners received a certificate and a small token of appreciation. City Councilman Rhet Tignor, who serves as Council Liaison to the Hampton Clean City Commission, presented the awards. Haywood Holder, Chair of the Clean City Commission, read the announcements.

Individual Awards



Kenny & Kay Alligood

Kay & Kenny Alligood, active members of the Buckroe Civic Association, organized a cleanup of the creek that runs along 5th Street and Benthall Road. This past spring several tons of trash were removed, including numerous tires. They regularly patrol the area to pick up litter and requested and received a "No Dumping" sign for the site.

Susan Knopfle is a good steward of her neighborhood and her city. She reports problems and eye sores on an as-needed basis, no matter which part of the city they are in. She is particularly active in her neighborhood of Merrimac Shores and the vicinity around it. She works hard within the civic association, and takes advantage of opportunities to improve her community. Last spring, she spearheaded two beautification projects that were part of the Commission's Great American Cleanup Campaign. She is ever vigilant in regard to illegal dumpsites, and has worked with various city departments to bring attention to them and address them.

Ann Lewis spearheaded the Rosalee Garden Neighborhood Watch Garden Contest for the past four years. Three winners are selected annually, but all who try to improve their lawns are awarded certificates, so every year the yards have gotten better. The person who nominated Ms. Lewis described her as "the 'spark plug' in the engine of her community, the prime mover of everything having to do with keeping the community of Rosalee Gardens safe... and beautiful"

Helen Main has taken care of a triangle of flowers and trees in Merrimac Shores since 1957 until this past spring. She purchased and planted all the flowers and trees by herself. Her dedication and generosity made a real difference in the Merrimac Shores neighborhood.



E. B. Moore

Sometimes it's the everyday "stuff" that makes the biggest difference. **E. B. Moore** is devoted to his Old North Hampton neighborhood, and it shows! In 2001 the community won "Best Neighborhood" at the state neighborhood conference, due at least in part to Mr. Moore's efforts. Each morning, he and his little dog are out picking up litter and debris from the streets of the area. When he's not cleaning up Hampton, he's keeping it beautiful by maintaining his home and yard.



Helen Main

Elsie Wallace loves her neighborhood and all the people in it. She regularly patrols the area, picking up litter and cleaning out the ditches. Just as importantly, she teaches the

children in the area to keep it clean, even as she hands out cookies and other goodies to make the lesson more memorable. Her efforts are bearing fruit as the neighborhood becomes cleaner and cleaner. On garbage collection days, she returns totes to her neighbors' yards to keep the streets looking neat. Her enthusiasm has inspired a neighbor to join her in keeping the ditches clean.

Mary Wallace has done something a lot of people haven't done. She regularly sends nominations for the Clean City Awards to the Commission. It sounds like a simple thing, and she probably doesn't think it is particularly important, but over the past three years, more than a dozen people have been recognized for their efforts in keeping their properties and the city clean, thanks to Mrs. Wallace. If she had not taken the time and effort to bring these people to the attention of the Hampton Clean City Commission, they may not have been recognized for the good that they do. It's important to say thank you to those who go about saying thank you to others. Their efforts encourage others and give them a much-needed pat on the back.



Kathy Werner

Kathy Werner, Executive Assistant to City Council, helped the Clean City Commission in a number of ways. For many years, Kathy made sure that Council members were aware of Commission activities and helped contact Council members for special occasions. Many times she suggested improvements in the wording of requested proclamations. On Scout Day, when the Commission Coordinator was sick, and her assistant was left to handle some details in regard to the event, Kathy pitched in and helped set up the Commission's part of the event.

Two people have worked very hard in their Powhatan Park neighborhood. Their selflessness and dedication are examples for all of us to follow.

Marie Hare contributes to the beauty of Hampton both personally and publicly. She maintains a beautiful yard, and won Yard of the Year in 1998. In April 2002 she chaired a committee to design a shrubbery bed at the neighborhood entryway sign at the corner of Briarfield Road and Ward Drive. Under her leadership, the site developed into an eye-catching attraction. She worked on the site even more in May 2002 as part of the Hampton Clean City Commission's Great American Cleanup Campaign. In addition, she contributed to the beautiful flowerbeds adjacent to the Briar-Queen Pool on Duke Street.



Marie Hare



Charles Tweedy

Charles Tweedy is a great friend to the Powhatan Park neighborhood. He and his wife, Francis, adopted a stretch of Briarfield Road and have kept the area immaculately clean. He also cuts the grass and edges the sidewalk around the new Powhatan Park neighborhood sign. He is an active member of the neighborhood watch program and is always ready to offer a helping hand to neighbors in need.

Two people made tremendous contributions to the Forrest Elementary School Ecology Club in the past two years.

Donna Antone, as a parent volunteer for the Forrest Elementary School Ecology Club, has contributed significantly to the success of the group. She is there for every meeting. She digs the holes, plants the flowers, and builds the bird feeders right alongside the students. Her leadership shows the youth of the Forrest Ecology Club that they are doing something important.

As the parent of a Forrest Elementary School Ecology Club member, **Diana Kusmira** takes leave two times each month to work with the Ecology Club, and has missed only one meeting in three years! She donates snacks for every child at every meeting. She comes up with great ideas, rolls up her sleeves, and works right



Donna Antone

alongside the members to meet the club's goals. The students she helps lead will remember her example always.

Lou Augunas, Waldo Cherry, Jack & Joyce Edwards, Fred Whitley, and Josephine & Caesar Williams have worked together and separately to make sure their neighborhood entryway is clean and beautiful.

These folks have been good neighbors in the Farmington Neighborhood. They have used their own water, topsoil, seed, and flowers to maintain the entryway and medians in Farmington. They give freely of their time to keep these public areas clean, and work hard to maintain their own beautiful landscapes.



Caesar & Josephine Williams and Lou Augunas

The following individuals made a huge contribution to the Yards Are Really Distinctive Showplaces Contest this past

season.

Chris Bartlett was one of two volunteers who stepped forward when the call went out to fill Bob Moesch's shoes as Mr. YARDS. She took on the role of volunteer recruiter and coordinator, yard evaluation scheduler, and chief organizer of the YARDS contest. She put in countless hours calling people, both volunteers and YARDS nominees, coordinating between the two, and working hard to keep everything going. Because of her efforts, the YARDS program moved forward flawlessly, and had the most successful year yet, with 40 yards being judged throughout the season.



Chris Bartlett



Mary Hall

Mary Hall is a terrific person for getting things done. Do you need gift certificates for Yards Contest winners? Mary will get them. Do you need an extra person to visit schools for tree plantings and bulb deliveries? You can count on Mary to go and enjoy the occasion. Do the neighbors need to be reminded occasionally about the ins and outs of garbage container etiquette? Mary will remind them. And would you like to celebrate the end of a successful Yards Contest season? Well, the best celebratory lunch in town can be found at Mary's house.

Mary MacDonald Tyndall was the other volunteer who stepped forward to fill Bob Moesch's formidable shoes. She took on the role of yard expert and chief photographer. Working as a team with Chris Bartlett, Mary coordinated the evaluation of more than 40 yards this season, took photos of all of them, and made arrangements for the Yard of the Year gift. In the off season, she devoted her time to raising pledges for the Human Race, an event the Commission uses as a fund raiser for the Keep Hampton Green tree planting fund.



Mary MacDonald Tyndall

Several people were instrumental in getting the East Mercury Boulevard Beautification Project in the ground, but we would like to recognize three in particular as being key to the success of the project.

Tom Bell was a man with a goal. He knew he wanted to see trees line Mercury Boulevard between Fox Hill Road and Pembroke Avenue. So two years ago he approached the Commission about naming the



Tom Bell

area as a Keep Hampton Green planting site. Unfortunately, the money for that year was already committed. The following year, yet another site was selected, based largely on the trees that were available through a special offer. Tom contacted the Commission early in the season this year to request the tree planting on East Mercury Boulevard. And he then proceeded to rally the neighbors along the corridor, turning the project into a major team effort, with support coming from many different directions. Last weekend, nearly 200 trees and shrubs were planted between Pine Cone Drive and Pembroke Avenue, thanks in large part to Tom Bell and his dream.

When Tom Bell looked for allies to get the East Mercury Boulevard Beautification Project off the ground, **Teddie Jo Ryan** was right there. She has contributed expertise, immeasurable time, and boundless enthusiasm to the project. She not only helped coordinate the public planting effort, but at the same time she rallied the church's complementary planting effort. There is no doubt that the finished project owes much to Teddie Jo.

Billy Wood was an enthusiastic member of the East Mercury Boulevard Beautification Team. Not only did he donate significant time, effort, and money to the project, but he put a considerable amount of sweat equity into it as well. Mr. Woods stored the trees that were to be planted, he watered them every other day except when we were fortunate enough to have rain, and he dug holes for the churches participating in the project. His advice and encouragement meant a great deal to everyone involved.



Billy Wood

**Capt. Ron
man,
Shawn Ste-
n City
work with
Resident**

Several folks made significant contributions to the Lincoln Park community improvement effort entitled "My Community, My Home".



Capt. Ron Davis

Capt. Ron Davis really "put his back" into the community improvement efforts of the Lincoln Park Resident Council. He almost single-handedly dug a flowerbed that was one of the centerpieces of the effort. He didn't let concrete-hard soil stop him! He simply dug through it. He has taken a very personal interest in Lincoln Park Resident Council efforts, meeting regularly with residents regularly, providing ideas on how to make the community better, and helping the residents accomplish their task in any way he could.

Ruby Holliman, chair of the Lincoln Park Resident Council, is the engine for the community improvement efforts taking place in the Lincoln Park community. She has been described as being the prime motivator behind all the activities—the centerpiece flowerbed was her idea, she's tireless in recruiting volunteers and encouraging people to join in and help out. Because of her, Lincoln Park is blossoming.

Dale Nixon supported the efforts of the Lincoln Park Resident Council as an employee of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority. But he went far beyond his work involvement. He served as a motivator to encourage people to participate and to keep participating, he sought and brought resources to the effort, and he served as

a supportive idea. In fact, the project name "My Community, My Home" came from Dale. Thank you for your dedication to the Lincoln Park Resident Council!



Ruby Holliman



Vrenda Parker

Vrenda Parker was another Housing and Rehabilitation Authority project leader who supported the efforts of the Lincoln Park Resident Council. She worked with Dale & Ruby Holliman to plan and implement the "My Community, My Home" project. She was another person who was out there planting that lovely flowerbed, but the difference was that she was "planting for two" since she was pregnant at the time. She is also the one who put the Lincoln Park Resident Council name in the hat to receive Great American Cleanup Campaign beautification project funding. She also worked out a schedule for volunteer maintenance of the flowerbed.



Lt. David Rogers

Lt. David Rogers supported the efforts of the Lincoln Park Resident Council as part of his official duties and as part of his love for Hampton. He helped install the flowerbed, has been part of ongoing community building effort, is extremely helpful in providing ideas and suggestions to improve community, and has been an overall strong link in the program.

Shawn Stevens was a key person in getting the youth of Lincoln Park involved in the Resident Council's community improvement efforts. He also rounded up and transported supplies, coordinated ongoing youth volunteer efforts, and in general served as an inspiration for the project.



Shawn Stevens

Four people have made a particular difference in the Hampton through their work on and beyond the Adopt-A-Spot program.

Marilyn Burney is an Adopt-A-Spot participant, but you wouldn't know it, because she didn't have her name put on her sign. She dedicated her sign in memory of someone special to her. She picks up litter every day while she walks her dogs, with the exception of her annual vacation. Then she picks up more litter about every other week or so, giving the ditches a thorough cleaning. We're honoring Marilyn with a Clean City Award tonight not just because she's such a dedicated Adopt-A-Spot participant, but because her dedication has extended beyond our community into the region in a surprising form for such a modest person. She wrote an essay detailing the habits and vices of the litterbugs who frequent her spot. When our coordinator shared this essay with members of the regional group HR Clean, they liked it so much they incorporated it into a radio advertisement that ran throughout the summer. Her passion for her spot has translated into a message that has touched hundreds of thousands of people in our area.

Benjamin Hinnant, Boy Scout Troop 2 was set to participate in the Adopt Hampton Roads Cleanup on May 4. Unfortunately, no one else came to the cleanup, which was to take place at Wythe Elementary School. So young Mr. Hinnant cleaned the school grounds all by himself, an example of dedication far beyond his years.

John Miller, when he was manager of the Air Power Park, was a key person in distributing Adopt-A-Spot supplies to the volunteers who accomplish so much in the City of Hampton. No matter how busy the season, John would dive into the supply storage bins and package them up as fast as the requests came in. When the volunteers came to pick up their supplies, he chatted with them and thanked them for their efforts. The volunteers still miss and ask about him. His crowning achievement was the Adopt Hampton Roads Cleanup, when he, with assistance from Gretchen Frederick, packaged and distributed supplies for 34 groups all cleaning up on one weekend!

Rolland Schattschneider was a volunteer keeping Barron Elementary School clean long before he formally adopted the site through the Commission's Adopt-A-Spot program. Mr. Schattschneider is a modest man, who says he doesn't need a reason to keep Barron Elementary School clean, he just does it. But his leadership in bringing the problem of cigarette butt litter to the forefront is undeniable. It is difficult to show people the enormity of a problem unless you have the numbers to back you. And Mr. Schattschneider, who was particularly appalled at the number of cigarette butts he was finding at an elementary school, stepped forward to provide those numbers. He started counting the cigarette butts he removed from Barron in February 2000, every time he cleaned up the grounds. Since then, he has picked up more than 26,000 cigarette butts from the grounds where elementary school children learn and play. That's 2,167 feet-worth of cigarette butts, nearly half a mile of cigarette butts laid end to end! With his help and the help of the Adopt-A-Spot groups who are counting cigarette butts during Clean City Month, the Commission hopes to bring new awareness to cigarette smokers throughout the city!



Rolland Schattschneider

The following individuals have made significant contributions to the Hampton Clean City Commission's programs.

Sana Ayub first came to volunteer for the Commission as a senior at Kecoughtan High School. Last summer, she spent part of her college summer break volunteering for various Commission activities. She helped with the *Great Litter Chase* and *Tree-rific Times* summer programs, even serving as videographer for the advertisement contests that were part of the *Great Litter Chase*. She also edited the Keep Virginia Beautiful award application that resulted in a second place Keep Virginia Beautiful Award and a first place Keep America Beautiful award. Sana is a great example of how young people make a difference in an organization.



Pattie Bye

As the enrichment coordinator for the School Age Programs Division of the Hampton Parks & Recreation Department, **Pattie Bye** invited the Clean City Commission to provide activities and presentations to after-school, summer camp, and summer playground programs. The net result of her invitation to the Clean City Commission was that approximately 800 youth between the ages of 6 and 12 participated in litter prevention and urban forestry activities, which significantly contributed to the Commission's efforts to educate young people throughout the city.

Angela Kowitz put her heart and soul into teaching science at Syms Middle School for several years. She also put her heart and soul into advising the Syms Middle School Aurora Society, an ecology club that cleaned and beautified the school grounds. And she put her heart and soul into training teachers to teach their students about litter prevention and solid waste management. Thank goodness Angi has a lot of heart and soul to go around. Angi's enthusiasm and caring and expertise touched numerous students and teachers.

Jack Marston started volunteering for the Commission's Business & Industry Committee about 20 years ago. He took over as chair in 1987 and oversaw the committee as it grew to include governmental agencies. Jack has presided over about 165 Business, Industry, and Governmental Agencies Committee meetings and attended an equal number of Full Commission meetings. He's made thousands of phone calls to members reminding them of meetings, setting agendas, and otherwise running the committee. He also nurtured the Hampton Clean Business Forum into the Virginia Peninsula Clean Business Forum that now incorporates four communities on the peninsula. Jack plans to retire in January, because he's moving to Williamsburg.



Jack Marston



Shirley Sypolt

Shirley Sypolt has been recognized for her many talents and boundless energy by many organizations, including the Hampton Clean City Commission. But she merits an additional thank you from us for this year because she has so selflessly given of her time and energy to various Commission efforts. Her work at Cooper Elementary School continues to raise the bar for science education and school beautification and cleanup efforts. As Chair of the School Pride In Action Committee, she has encouraged many teachers to explore new avenues in encouraging environmental education in the schools. As a teacher trainer, she has touched countless teachers with her special brand of practical classroom magic. As an appointed member of the Commission, she is part of the guiding hand behind Commission activities. And she is a major contributor to the Schoolyard Habitat Course that was launched for the first time this year.



Jim Williams

Jim Williams is an appointed member of the Hampton Clean City Commission, was elected as Vice Chair of the Commission, and serves as Chair of the Beautification Committee and member of the School Pride In Action Committee. Although he works toward a more beautiful Hampton every hour as part of his "day job" with Virginia Cooperative Extension, it is his vision, passion, and enthusiasm for Hampton that have earned him a Clean City Award. He works tirelessly on educating everyone in the city about how to keep it beautiful. This year, he extended his efforts to teachers and, in cooperation with the Clean City Commission, Cooper Elementary School, and Tucker-Capps Elementary School, planned and implemented Hampton's first ever Schoolyard Habitat Course for teachers and school volunteers. This 18-hour course is full of plant science, soil science, and other factual information that only a horticultural expert could provide, and Jim has done so willingly. He has committed his time and talents toward training Parks Division employees free of charge, providing them with information they would otherwise have to attend a conference to receive. He is also working with the School Age Programs Office to provide lessons and activities about plants to many of the after school sites.

Civic Organization Awards



Elizabeth Lakes Estates Morning Walkers Representatives

The Elizabeth Lakes Estates Morning Walkers patrol the streets of Elizabeth Lakes Estates daily, sometimes more often, cleaning up litter and reporting problems. They represent an ever-growing number of residents in their community who care about Elizabeth Lakes Estates and are willing to put their backs into keeping it clean.

The **Emmanuel Episcopal Church** threw its resources and facilities into the East Mercury Boulevard Beautification Project. The church allowed its parking lot to be used as the meeting point for the volunteers, it hosted the meetings regarding the project, and invested in a complementary planting to augment the effect of the median planting. It also accepted funds for the planting and purchased trees and shrubs.



Emmanuel Episcopal Church Representatives



Hampton Woman's Club Representatives

The **Hampton Woman's Club** has enthusiastically supported a number of Hampton Clean City Commission programs in the past year. Members of the club have served as judges for the Yards Are Really Distinctive Showplaces, and visited and evaluated 42 yards over the summer. Members also participated in School Pride In Action training opportunities in preparation for assisting schools with their environmental education activities. Whenever helping hands are needed, the Hampton Woman's Club is there!

The **Lincoln Park Resident Council** has worked diligently to make the community of Lincoln Park a nicer place in which to live. In April, the group held neighborhood cleanup days to encourage volunteers to pick up trash and beautify the area. One day, the volunteers built a large flowerbed, planted flowers, and mulched the bed at the LaSalle entrance to the



Lincoln Park Resident Council Representatives

community. The volunteers watered the flowers throughout our summer of drought. During the summer, 40 school age children formed a program called *My Community, My Home*. They spent hours each day picking up trash in their own areas and the common areas of the community. They had a significant impact on the appearance of the community.



*United Christian Brotherhood Member
Kyle Tucker*

The **United Christian Brotherhood** doesn't just clean their Adopt-A-Spot area on Big Bethel Road. They also add extra value to their work by reporting work that needs to be done to maintain the safety and beauty of their spot. They provide inspiration to other groups to join the Adopt-A-Spot program as well.

Businesses & Governmental Agencies



*Renie Dye,
Hampton Public Piers*

Hampton Public Piers was one of five local marinas, and two marinas in Hampton, who earned the "Virginia Clean Marina" designation from the Virginia Environmental Excellence Program sponsored by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

Harbor Square Apartments, located at the corner of a busy intersection and bordered by city government buildings that include a bus station, churches, and businesses, could be a magnet for litter. Their staff is out every morning and afternoon cleaning up litter. They landscape the grounds beautifully as well, adding a great deal to their corner of Hampton.



*Joyce Hubbard,
Harbor Square Apartments*



Ken Walker & Mike Patton, Langley Air Force Base

The folks who serve us at **Langley Air Force Base** are the ultimate good neighbors. They do a great job of maintaining their property, and have spent a great deal of time and money improving the base's natural environment and physical appearance. A few statistics that highlight their efforts are in order. Since 1992 they have reduced their hazardous waste disposal by 66% and recycled more than 1,300 tons of material in 2001. The Air Force Base planted more than 35,000 sprigs of eelgrass in the Back River, and planted 150 street trees and 1,500 tree seedlings on base. In addition, Langley staff at all levels participate in Commission activities like the Adopt-A-Spot program, the Business, Industry,

and Governmental Agencies Committee, and many beautification projects, including the East Mercury Boulevard project.

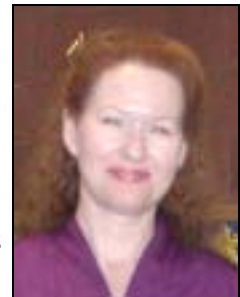
Liberty Estates Apartments is consistent in maintaining clean and beautiful premises, so we are happy to consistently recognize them for their efforts. In a high-traffic "no man's land" bordered by businesses and shopping centers, this complex is an oasis of beauty.



Jim Wilson, Parks Superintendent

A lot of people don't realize how much has to happen behind the scenes to make something as simple as a cleanup or a tree planting happen.

The staff of the **Parks Division** of Hampton Parks and Recreation Department makes it seem simple because they do such a good job of taking care of the details. When our Adopt-A-Spot groups cleaned up more than 452 times, the Parks Division staff picked up the resulting bags of trash. When we planted nearly 200 trees and shrubs on Mercury Boulevard, or 20 trees on Hampton Roads Center Parkway, the Parks Division set up safety zones, augured the holes for the trees, and transported supplies and tools. Then they watered the trees and maintained them, and continue to maintain them as long as they live. When the Clean City Commission office moved in February, the Parks folks did the heavy lifting.



Annette Sauer, Liberty Gardens Apartments

Phoebus High School staff members have welcomed the Clean City Commission to their school for four straight years in a row. They are hospitable and gracious, and the food is good—we can't imagine a better place to hold Clean City Commission volunteer recognition receptions! But in addition to opening their doors annually to the Commission, they also participate actively in the Commission's School Pride In Action Program. They plant bulbs and trees, they collect used clothing, they encourage campus cleanups. Two student groups participate in the Adopt-A-Spot program, as well. The school administration actively encourages its students to be good citizens.



Pat Parker, Sandy Bottom Nature Park Representative

Salt Ponds Marina Resort was one of five local marinas, and two marinas in Hampton, who earned the "Virginia Clean Marina" designation from the Virginia Environmental Excellence Program sponsored by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

Not only does **Sandy Bottom Nature Park** exemplify the finer qualities of nature with its beautiful setting and natural landscaping, but the agency leads the way in trying to educate other and encouragement environmental awareness and care. The staff at Sandy Bottom



Ken Davis, Phoebus High School

worked willingly with Clean City staff and volunteers to host two litter-free events in the past year, and is currently working again on a litter-free Haunted Forest. In addition, the doors are always open at Sandy Bottom for Commission meetings, workshops, and activities. They let us use their parking lot as the starting point for Tour de Trash!



*Keith Rotzell,
Manager of School
Age Programs*

The **School Age Program Office** of the Hampton Parks & Recreation Department has contributed significantly to the Hampton Clean City Commission's goals simply by inviting the Commission to provide activities and programs to the after-school, summer camp, and summer playground programs.

Waste Management of Hampton Roads has gotten used to Clean City staff calling and asking for landfill tours a couple or so times each year. But this past year, the landfill welcomed three landfill tours for the Waste Watchers Committee, two landfill tours for teachers, and at least two for youth groups. In addition to welcoming folks to the landfill to learn more about solid waste management, Waste Management staff also generously supported the Great American Cleanup Campaign clothing collection in the schools with collection boxes. Staff members also serve on the Hampton Clean City Commission's Business, Industry, and Governmental Agencies Committee.

Youth Groups Awards

Boy Scout Troop 10, Cub Scout Pack 21, Cub Scout Pack 128, and Cub Scout Pack 320 are regular supporters of efforts to keep Hampton clean and beautiful. They turn out in full force to clean Grandview Nature Preserve on a regular basis, and they participate in pack and troop activities that help make Hampton a better place in which to live.



*Clyde Tennyson, Boy
Scouts of America*

The **Cooper Elementary School Ecology Club** sets an excellent example for young people in other schools. The students in the ecology club recycle paper used in the school, they work on an ongoing beautification project that has transformed Cooper into a showplace. They engage in a number of other important environmental activities—they water the plants they plant, they organize educational activities for other students in the school, and they participate in



*Ted Papafil, Forrest
Ecology Club
Sponsor*

Commission activities whenever possible. We just received word last week that Cooper Elementary School Ecology Club won first place in the Keep America Beautiful Community Improvement and Beautification Awards Program.

The **Forrest Elementary School Ecology Club** keeps the grounds of their school clean and beautiful. They spend many of their meetings cleaning up litter, planting flowers, and learning about nature. They also organize a PTA meeting each year, and invite an environmental speaker. The students at Forrest Elementary School are learning leadership skills contributing to their community while they are having fun taking care of their environment. The club's membership has increased from 20 or so students when the group first began to 55 students who are current members.



Hampton High School Antaeus Society leaders Carey Sparkman and Jessica Lee with Rhet Tignor. The club also received a third place Keep Virginia Beautiful state award for their activities of the past year.

The members of the **Hampton High School Antaeus Society** are ardent supporters of a clean and beautiful Hampton. In addition to their regular environmental work of cleaning the school grounds, planting bulbs, maintaining elderly residents' yard, growing oysters, and much more, last year the students took on another job—they trained for and helped support the "Talking Trees and Trash" after-school enrichment program. They were a big hit with the younger set as they led a session on garbage. These young people are shining examples for the older and younger generations to follow.

The **Lincoln Park Girl Scout Troop** supported the efforts of the Lincoln Park Residents Council. The members of the troop volunteered for all the projects, and worked hard on planting and watering the flower bed. Their efforts extended throughout the year, and served as an inspiration for other young people to join in.

School Pride In Action Awards

Three schools received the annual School Pride In Action Award, which is granted to schools that exhibit a well-rounded environmental education and service learning program as outlined by the award criteria. These criteria include school cleanup and beautification activities that include students, environmental education activities implemented by students, participation in community cleanup and beautification projects, and staff participation in teacher environmental education activities and opportunities. The 2002 School Pride In Action Awards were presented to **Cooper Elementary School**, **Forrest Elementary School**, and **Jones Magnet Middle School**.

Adopt-A-Spot "Extra Mile" Awards (6 - 19 cleanups annually)



*Eldridge Smith,
BookClubEtc.*

Bethel High School Skills USA - 10 cleanups

BookClubEtc. - 12 cleanups

Boy Scouts of America American Heritage District - 6 cleanups

Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Tau Beta Chapter, School of Nursing - 6 cleanups

Cooper Elementary School Ecology Club - 9 cleanups

Emmanuel Episcopal Church - 7 cleanups

Hampton Junior Woman's Club - 6 cleanups

Langley Air Force Base DGS-1 - 6 cleanups

Langley Air Force Base HQ ACC Public Affairs Media Production Team - 8 cleanups

Scientific Applications International Corporation (SAIC) - 6 cleanups

Smith Family of Baker Farms - 6 cleanups

Poop & Phillip Tyson, Jr. - 7 cleanups

Union Light Lodge #268 - 7 cleanups



*Mary Ellis, Emmanuel
Episcopal Church*

Golden Litter Stick Awards (more than 20 cleanups annually)

Marilyn Burney - 361 daily cleanups, and then 12 - 15 "big" cleanups with litter stick and huge trash bag in hand



Langley Air Force Base Honor Guard & Rhet Tignor

Jenkins-McCully Families - 43 cleanups

Kecoughtan High School NJROTC - 21 cleanups

Langley Air Force Base Honor Guard - 22 cleanups

Malvern Civic Association - 52 cleanups

Mike & Sheila Mugler - 12 reports, but clean every week



Sally McCully, Jenkins-McCully Families



Lee Salyer, Pastures Civic Association

Pastures Civic Association - 365+

Dick & Flo Ruehe - 10 reports, but clean every day they are in town, a minimum of 110 days each year.

Rolland Schattschneider - 55 cleanups



Dick & Flo Ruehe

Hampton Clean City Commission Committees



Beautification Committee Members

Pictured : Twyla Day, Chris Bartlett, Dixie Broughton, Erika Page, Mary MacDonald Tyndall, Jim Williams Not Pictured: Mary Hall, Peggy Merz, Bob Moesch, Ken Strayer



Business, Industry, & Governmental Agencies Committee

Pictured: Ken Walker, Mike Patton, AJ Butterfield Not Pictured: Jack Marston, Tom Allen, Lewis Bond, Sandra Brinson, Verna Brundin, Sam Daniel, Buzzy Dwyer, Vicki Figg, Chris Garrett, John Golden, Jennifer Guerrero, Amy Gray, Dave Haskin, Col. Drew Jeter, John Lee, Danny Loucks, Jennifer Morrone, Marty Tennille, Carl Tweedt, and Grady Wesson

The individuals and groups listed above have contributed enormously to the physical appearance of the City of Hampton, and therefore have made significant contributions toward the city's spirit. The residents of Hampton thank them for their efforts.

For more information about the Clean City Commission's activities and programs, call 727-6394 or e-mail hccc@hampton.gov.



*Litter Awareness Committee
Pat Parker (pictured);
Shirley Boyd, Patricia
Couser, & Harriet Storm*



School Pride In Action Committee

Ted Papafil (Forrest Elementary School), Al Thompson (Syms Middle School), Lynnette Petite (Hampton City Schools), Joyce Corriere (Hampton High School), Shirley Sypolt (Cooper Elementary School), photographed with Councilman Rhet Tignor (second from left)

Not pictured: Each school in Hampton is represented by at least one committee member, several schools have teams on the Committee. Total membership is 89 teachers, administrators, and community volunteers.

